jacket area acting as an anvil on another of the drums.

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- 26. The flying shears according to claim 22, wherein the support elements are configured to be moved into an effective position thereof before a working stroke of the drive begins.
- 27. The flying shears according to claim 14, wherein the flying shears are an integral part of a coiler.
- 28. The flying shears according to claim 22, wherein the flying shears are an integral part of a coiler.

REMARKS

In response to the election requirement set forth in the Office Action, applicants elect the species of Fig. 1 which was identified by the Examiner as species I.

As a result of the foregoing amendment, claims 1 - 13 have been deleted and replaced by claims 14 - 28.

Claims 14 - 21 and 27 read on the elected species.

It is submitted that claim 14 is generic.

An action on the merits is respectfully requested.

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